

**SEC. 508. CONTINUATION ON ACTIVE STATUS FOR  
CERTAIN RESERVE  
OFFICERS OF THE AIR FORCE.**

(a) **AUTHORITY.**—Section 14507 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

(c) **TEMPORARY AUTHORITY TO RETAIN CERTAIN OFFICERS DESIGNATED AS JUDGE ADVOCATES.**—(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b), the Secretary of the Air Force may retain on the reserve active-status list any reserve officer of the Air Force who is designated as a judge advocate and who obtained the first professional degree in law while on an educational delay program subsequent to being commissioned through the Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

"(2) No more than 50 officers may be retained on the reserve active-status list under the authority of paragraph (1) at any time.

"(3) No officer may be retained on the reserve active-status list under the authority of paragraph (1) for a period exceeding three years from the date on which, but for that authority, that officer would have been removed from the reserve active-status list under subsection (a) or (b).

"(4) The authority of the Secretary of the Air Force under paragraph (1) expires on September 30, 2003."

(b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—Subsection (c) of section 14507 of title 10, United States Code, as added by subsection (a), shall take effect on October 1, 1996.

**SEC. 509. REPORTS ON RESPONSE TO  
RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERN-  
ING IMPROVEMENTS TO DEPARTMENT OF  
DEFENSE JOINT  
MANPOWER PROCESS.**

(a) **SEMIANNUAL REPORT.**—The Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a semiannual report on the status of actions taken by the Secretary to implement the recommendations made by the Department of Defense Inspector General in the report of November 29, 1995, entitled "Inspection of the Department of Defense Joint Manpower Process" (Report No. 96-029). The first such report shall be submitted not later than February 1, 1997. The requirement to submit such reports terminates after the fourth such report is submitted.

(b) **ADDITIONAL MATTER FOR FIRST REPORT.**—  
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(2) The Secretary's assessment of the Department of Defense timeline and plan to increase the capability of the joint professional military education system (including the Armed Forces Staff College) to overcome the capacity limitations cited in the report referred to in subsection (a).

(3) The Secretary's plan and timeline to provide the necessary training and education of reserve component officers.

(c) GAO ASSESSMENT.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall assess the completeness and adequacy of the corrective actions taken by the Secretary with respect to the matters covered in the Inspector General report referred to in subsection (a). Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,

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